

AMENDED IN SENATE MAY 7, 2003

SENATE BILL

No. 693

Introduced by Senator Murray
(Coauthor: Senator Bowen)

February 21, 2003

An act to add Section 12803.3 to the Government Code, relating to foster care.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 693, as amended, Murray. Undersecretary of Foster Care Coordination.

Existing law provides for the establishment of the California Health and Human Services Agency for the implementation and oversight of human services and health care programs.

This bill would provide for the appointment *by the Secretary of California Health and Human Services and confirmation by the Senate* of an Undersecretary of Foster Care Coordination in the California Health and Human Services Agency, and would require the undersecretary to coordinate those activities of state and local agencies that provide for the needs of children placed in foster care.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 12803.3 is added to the Government
- 2 Code, to read:
- 3 12803.3. (a) There shall be an Undersecretary of Foster Care
- 4 Coordination in the California Health and Human Services

1 Agency. He or she shall be appointed by the Secretary of California
2 Health and Human Services *and confirmed by the Senate*. His or
3 her salary shall be established by the secretary pursuant to law.
4 (b) The undersecretary shall coordinate those activities of state
5 and local agencies that provide for the needs of children placed in
6 foster care.

